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Re: financial contributions to James W. Treffinger [R-NJ]

Sept. 3, 2003

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to file a complaint with the FEC concerning campaign contributions, totaling more than the amounts allowed by federal law, that I made to a candidate for federal office. This candidate is James W. Treffinger, who sought the Republican Party's nomination for US Senate in New Jersey in 2000 and 2002.

During the 2000 primary election cycle, I contributed a total of \$1,975. As the candidate did not continue to the general election, he must return \$975 to me.

During his 2002 primary campaign, I contributed a total of \$1,325 to Mr. Treffinger's senate campaign. As your records no doubt show, Mr. Treffinger dropped out of this race some six weeks before the primary election day due to a federal investigation into his campaign. In this instance, \$325 is owed me, as that is the excess over \$1,000. But in addition, I ask you if additional contributions should be returned to me since the candidate dropped out of the 2002 primary race well before election day.

Enclosed, please find photocopies of my personal checks to the campaign funds. Check Numbers 1715, 1817, 1832, 1840, 1865 & 1892 were sent to the 2000 primary campaign. Check Numbers 2045, 2059 & 2227 were sent to the 2002 primary campaign.

The total minimum amount that should be returned to me is \$1,300, but again I'm wondering if the law mandates the [partial] return of contributions in the event a candidate withdraws from a primary race well before the election day, as had happened in 2002.

Cordially,

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

THIS 3 DAY OF Sept. 2003

J. Hochberg
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James W. Treffinger

JAMES L. REINHARDT
Notary Public Of New Jersey
My Commission Expires August 18, 2007

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